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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

The following is Applicants response to the restriction requirement mailed March 15, 2006.

RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The PTO has requested restriction of Applicants' claims to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1, 2, 4, 22-31, 34 and 40-44, drawn to compounds and their methods of use, classified in class 548, subclass 536;
- II. Claims 5-7, 32, 35, 38, 49 and 52, drawn to compounds and their methods of use, classified in class 560, subclass 169;
- III. Claims 8, 9, 33, 36, 37, 39, 45 and 50, drawn to compounds and their methods of use, classified in class 564, subclass 123;
- IV. Claims 10-13, 46, 51 and 53, drawn to compounds and their methods of use, classified in class 546, subclass 298;
- V. Claims 14-16 drawn to compounds and their methods of use, classified in class 546, subclass 306;